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German Democratic Republic

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MACHINE CONSTRUCTION AT GOERLITZ (German; two pages; undated)

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According to the information of this typewritten document, five hydraulic presses for shipbuilding have been ordered from VEB (People-owned) Goerlitz Machine Construction Plant. Two of these presses will be capable of forging pieces of 1,200, the others of forging pieces of 500 to 600 tons. The presses are to be delivered in 1952, the two 1,200-ton-presses during the first six months of the year.

These presses are very urgently needed by the GDR shipyards. For three months before the order was placed, a collective of engineers was concerned with the problem of saving materials through changes in construction. Attempts are being made to use substitute materials for steel and cast iron.

VEB Goerlitz is to deliver 14 forging ~~press~~ machines by 1 August 1952. These are destined for GDR rolling mills and are to facilitate the manufacture of axles, shafts, and crank shafts. These forging machines have electric motors. They can be used on forgings of up to 8 tons.

The report includes some detailed technical information on the forging machines and presses.

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